

Topology

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Definition 0.1. Let $X \in \mathbf{Top}$. A cover of X is a set $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \text{Sub}(X)$ having the following properties

- (I) \mathcal{U} covers X , i.e. $\bigvee \mathcal{U} = X$.
- (II) For each $x \in X$ there exists an element $U \in \mathcal{U}$ such that $U \in N|_x$, or alternatively, for all $x \in X$ we have $N|_x X \cap \mathcal{U} \neq \emptyset$.

Definition 0.2. A space X is called *compact* if for any cover \mathcal{U} of X there is a finite subcover $\mathcal{F} \in \text{Sub}_{\text{fin}}(\mathcal{U})$.

Remark 1. An equivalent formulation is that any *open* cover has the above property.

Definition 0.3. Let X be a topological space. Define $\text{Sub}_{\text{cpt}}(X)$ as the topological space having as underlying set the compact subspaces of X and as topology the sets $\langle \{\text{Sub}(U) \cap \text{Sub}_{\text{cpt}}(X) : U \in \tau\} \rangle$ where τ is the topology of X .

Remark 2. In the above system $\{\text{Sub}(U) \cap \text{Sub}_{\text{cpt}}(X) : U \in \tau\}$ is a basis of the topology since it is obviously closed under finite intersections.

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Lemma 0.1. Let \mathcal{X} be locally compact, then $\text{Sub}_{\text{cpt}} \mathcal{X}$ is locally compact.

Proof. Let $C \in \text{Sub}_{\text{cpt}}(\mathcal{X})$ be compact. Choose compact neighborhoods $C_c \in N|_c \mathcal{X}$ for each point of $c \in C$. Then by compactness of C there is a finite subcover $\{C_c : c \in F\}$ ($F \in \text{Sub}_{\text{fin}}(C)$). Define $D := \bigcup_{c \in F} C_c$ — then D is compact. We claim that $\text{Sub}_{\text{cpt}}(D)$ is a compact neighborhood of C in $\text{Sub}_{\text{cpt}}(\mathcal{X})$. It is clear that $\text{Sub}_{\text{cpt}}(D) \in N|_C \text{Sub}_{\text{cpt}}(\mathcal{X})$ (by definition of the topology for $\text{Sub}_{\text{cpt}}(\mathcal{X})$). We are left to show that it is compact. To do this, choose an open cover \mathcal{U} of $\text{Sub}_{\text{cpt}}(D)$. By definition, for each $U \in \mathcal{U}$ there exist open sets $V \in \tau$ such that $U = \text{Sub}_{\text{cpt}}(V)$. Collect these V in set $\mathcal{V} \subseteq \tau$. As \mathcal{U} is an open cover of $\text{Sub}_{\text{cpt}}(D)$, for each compact subset $F \subseteq D$ there must exist a set $V \in \mathcal{V}$ such that $F \subseteq V$. As the one-element subset of D are compact, since D is compact and \mathcal{X} is HAUSDORFF we have that \mathcal{V} is an open cover of D \square

Lemma 0.2. Let X be a locally compact space, then X is a BAIRE space.

Proof. Let $\{U_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be dense open subspaces of X and V be an open subspace of X . Then we define $V_0 := V$ and choose inductively V_n as a non-empty relatively compact open subspace of X such that $V_n \subseteq \text{cl } V_{n-1} \cap U_{n-1}$ for $n \geq 1$. This is possible since U_n is dense in X for all n . We thus obtain $V := \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} V_n = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \text{cl } V_n \neq \emptyset$ as a compact set such that $V \subseteq \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n \cap V$. This shows that $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n$ is dense in X . \square

Lemma 0.3. The following are equivalent

- (I) Axiom of choice.
- (II) ZORN's lemma.
- (III) Wellordering theorem.

Proof.

first to second Let P be preordered and for any subset $Q \subseteq P$ define Q^\vee as the set of upper bounds. We then have by axiom of choice a function $F : \{Q^\vee : Q \subseteq P\} \setminus \{\emptyset\} \rightarrow P$ with $F(X) \in X$.

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